

# ARE YOU PrEPED & READY?

**PrEP (Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis)** is a daily pill that, when taken as directed, can greatly reduce your risk of getting HIV.

## How do I get started with PrEP?

- Appointments encouraged.
- Here is what you can expect to take place at your first visit:
  - You will meet with a member of the PrEP team who will talk to you about the program, medication, possible side effects and answer your questions.
  - You will have testing. A nurse will draw blood and collect swabs and a urine sample.
- At the end of the visit you will be given a package of 10 PrEP pills to start while we wait for the results of your lab work.
- In a few days your lab work will be reviewed by our medical provider and, if everything is approved, a prescription will be sent to your pharmacy of choice.
- A 30 day follow-up medical appointment will be scheduled.



## Let's STAY SAFE!

**Call weekdays from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. for more information or to speak with a member of our PrEP Team.**



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## How much does PrEP cost?

- Private insurance plans, as well as Medicaid, will cover the cost of PrEP.
- In most cases, you would only be responsible for your co-pay.
- We can check with your insurance company to determine how much a monthly prescription may cost.
- If you do not have health insurance, or are subject to high deductibles, our clinic has resources available that can assist you.
- In many circumstances these resources may completely cover the cost of the drug and/or co-pays.

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